IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
		:	Examiner: Y.K. Aggarwal
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Application No.: 09/678,296		:	Art Unit: 2622
) :	Conf. No. 5740
Filed: October 3, 2000)	
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For:	SOLID IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE,)	
	IMAGE PICKUP SYSTEM AND	:	
	METHOD OF DRIVING SOLID)	
	IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE	:	September 1, 2006

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Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to continued examination on the merits, a Request for Continued Examination being filed herewith, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner amend the above-identified application as follows. The changes to the claims are reflected in the listing that begins on page 2, and the Remarks begin on page 7.